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TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 6567
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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y UPGRADING TEL TO EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PBOR, ET, SO
SUBJECT: SOMALI WITHDRAWAL FROM THE OGADEN

REF: STATE 060457

1. AT ABOUT 1130Z TODAY WE MET PRIVATELY WITH VICE
PRESIDENT MOI TO CONVEY THE SUBSTANCE OF PARAS 2 AND 7
REFTEL. WITHOUT FURTHER COMMENT MOI SUMMONED 6 MEMBERS
OF THE DELEGATION (INCLUDING FOREIGN MINISTER WAIYAKI
TO HEAR THE "IMPORTANT NEWS" AS WELL.

2. INITIAL REACTION AMONG THE DELEGATION FOCUSED ON 3
POINTS:

--DID THIS MEAN THAT THE WSLF WOULD ALSO WITHDRAW?
(WHEN ASKED* WE SAID WE WERE NOT ADVISED, AND
COULD NOT GO BEYOND THE STATEMENT "ALL ELEMENTS
OF THE SOMALI NATIONAL ARMY.")

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--WOULD THE 10,000 HEAVILY ARMED SOMALIS WHO WERE
IN THE SOUTHERN OGADEN TRANSIT KENYA WITH OR
WITHOUT WEAPONS? MOI NOTED THAT WITHDRAWAL
THROUGH KENYA WOULD BE QUICKER AND SAFER THAN
OTHER ALTERNATIVES.

--WOULD KENYAN INSURGENTS WHO WERE FIGHT-

ING WITH THE WSLF ALSO HAVE FREE PASSAGE OR
SHOULD THEY BE "DISARMED" IN KENYA. (WE REPEATED
THAT SUCH DETAILS WERE BEST WORKED OUT BETWEEN
NAIROBI AND MOGADISCIO AS URGED IN REFTEL.)

3. WE OFFERED TO CONVEY ANY MESSAGE MOI MIGHT HAVE. HE
ASKED US TO PASS ON HIS PERSONAL THANKS TO WASHINGTON
FOR THE INFORMATION BUT SAID THAT THE DELEGATION WOULD
HAVE TO DISCUSS THE NEWS INTERNALLY BEFORE GIVING ANY
REACTION.

4. COMMENT: MOI'S ATTITUDE SEEMED POSITIVE. IT WAS
MORE DIFFICULT TO TELL ABOUT THE REST OF THE DELEGATION.
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